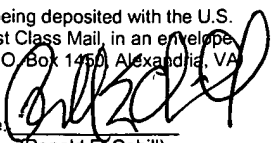


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**PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated October 20, 2003.

Enclosed is a check with the appropriate fee of \$110.00 based on large entity status. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees in connection with this communication or credit any over payment to our Deposit Account No. 141449, Reference No. 22727-41. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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